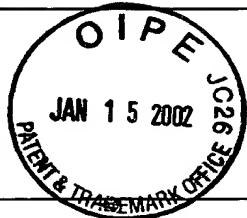


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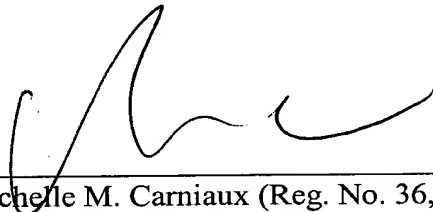
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AMENDMENT

SIR:

This paper addresses the Office Action mailed on May 3, 2001. Initially, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

15. (Amended) A massively parallel data processing apparatus comprising:

a plurality of computing cells arranged in a multidimensional matrix, the plurality of computing cells capable of simultaneously manipulating a plurality of data, each of the plurality of computing cells including:

an input interface for receiving a plurality of input signals,

a plurality of logic members, at least one of the plurality of logic members coupled to the input interface,

at least one coupling unit selectively coupling at least one of the plurality of logic members to another of the plurality of logic members a function

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